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Title: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR POSITIONING A SUBSTRATE RELATIVE TO
A SUPPORT STAGE
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Filed: February 19, 2004
Examiner: Khoi H. Tran
Group Art Unit: 3651

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- ☒ PTO Form 1449;
☒ Information Disclosure Statement with nine cited references; and
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Independent Claims	N/A	- 3 =	-0-	X \$200.00	\$0.00
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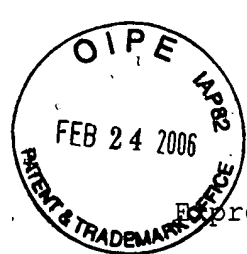
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97,
applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the
following references:

U.S. Patent No. 6,158,946, Miyashita

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0051697

A1, Ko et al.

U.S. Patent No. 6,499,367 B1, Saeki

Foreign Art Reference No. JP 06089845 (Japan)

Foreign Art Reference No. JP 08313815 (Japan)

Foreign Art Reference No. JP 2002308420 (Japan)

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These references are also listed on the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement (Form PTO-1449).

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this patent application is respectfully requested.

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Patent Documents

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	US-1	6,158,946	12/12/00	Miyashita			
	US-2	2002/0051697 A1	05/02/02	Ko et al.			
	US-3	6,499,367 B1	12/31/02	Saeki			
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Foreign Patent Documents

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	F-1	JP 06089845	03/29/94	Japan			X	
	F-2	JP 08313815	11/29/96	Japan			X	
	F-3	JP 2002308420	10/23/02	Japan			X	
	F-4	JP 09152569	06/10/97	Japan			X	
	F-5	JP 09090308	04/04/97	Japan			X	
	F-6	JP 06204321	07/22/94	Japan			X	

OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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	OT-2	
	OT-3	

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